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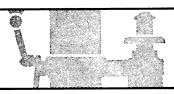
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THE DEVELOPMENT OF MATHEMATICAL LOGIC -P. H. Nidditch-Free Press, 88 p., paper, \$1.25. Clear outline of the growth and structure of mathematical logic.

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